DEXTER CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2016

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Keough at the Dexter Senior Center at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

B. ROLL CALL: Mayor Keough

J. Carson	D. Fisher
J. Knight	Z. Michels
J. Smith	R. Tell – AB

Also attending: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Marie Sherry, Finance Director/Treasurer; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager; and Carol Jones, Interim Clerk.

C. REVIEW OF RESERVE BALANCES AND POTENTIAL USES FOR THOSE RESERVES. REVIEW OF 2016 FACILITY BOND REFUNDING.

Ms. Nicholls gave a review of the following, which may affect spending in the 2015 – 2016 Budget Year and the budget planning for 2016 – 2017 Fiscal Year: Mill Creek Park, Facility Projects, First Street Park Improvements, Fire Station Lighting Project, Signage Replacement, and Capital Contribution to DAFD. The following may affect DDA spending: Repayment of House Purchase to City and Land Swap on Dan Hoey. The following may affect DDA and City Spending: Substation Removal and Land Swap-Bond Refinancing.

Ms. Nicholls also spoke of possible revenue increases for both the City and the DDA. Discussion followed.

D. PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Ms. Sherry spoke of the Personal Property Loss in the City due to changes in the means of taxation. Staff is looking into possible changes as Dexter was not a City prior to the 2015 tax year. Discussion followed

E. REVIEW OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The goals for 2016-2017 were reviewed and discussion followed.

F. DISCUSSION OF COMMUNICATION PROTOCOLS

Mayor Keough brought up the topic of having a protocol for handling dissemination of information within the City. Discussion followed.

G. COMMENTS

Have had a request from a resident for more signage regarding speed limits and use of the radar sign in the City.

Would like to see a discussion topic on the property south of town and using some of this property for expansion of the Industrial Park Discussion followed regarding this and development within the City.

With the increases in Sheriff and Fire Department costs, is there any advantage of putting these costs into a Public Safety millage for the City? Discussion followed.

H. ADJOURNMENT	DJOURNME	NT
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Adjourned at 9:35 PM	
Respectfully submitted,	
Carol J. Jones Interim Clerk, City of Dexter	Approved for Filing: